and make recommendation for private sector participation. The COE are yet to receive offers from the parties.

Privatisation of DDA

896. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Delhi Administration has since decided to privatise a major part of construction work now undertaken by the Delhi Development Authority;

(b) if so, the reasons for this decision; and

(c) by when it is likely to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) No specific scheme regarding association of private builders in house construction activities in Delhi has so far been approved by the Government.

(b) and (c) Question do not arise.

Deterioration of towns in Assam

897. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that DIBRUGARH and TINSUKIA in Upper Assam are worst towns in the country in respect of planning, population and hygiene

(b) whether Government have any proposal to prevent further deterioration of the towns; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Ministry of Urban Development in the Government of India has no specific information in regard to pollution and hygiene conditions in Dibrugarh and Tinsukia. The State Government have prepared master plans for both these towns.

(b) and (c) Urban Development is a State subject and the primary responsibility for providing necessary infrastructure to prevent deterioration of towns is that of the State Government and the Local Bodies concerned. The Government of India supports the schemes of the State Government by way of a centrally sponsored scheme of Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) and through housing and infrastructure loans given by HUDCO. Both the towns have been covered under the IDSMT scheme and Central assistance amounting to Rs. 40 lakhs each has been released.

Dwelling units in the country

898 : SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the total dwelling units Pucca, Kucha, mud etc. in the country both urban and rural areas separately ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : As per latest details available under 1981 census, the housing stock in urban and rural areas as on 1-3-81 was as follows :—

(Total in million)

	Urban	Rural	Total
(i) Pucca	18.1	18.8	36.9
(ii) Semi-Pucca	6.8	33.3	40.1
(iii) Serviceable Kutcha	3.1	25.7	28.8
(iv) Unserviceable Kutcha	—	10.9	10.9